THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI. P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) There is no evidence to the effect MPEDA is completely controlled by large exporters to their benefit.

(b) MPEDA, in its present form, is carrying out its assigned trade promotional functions satisfactorily.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Violence in Kelara during 'Bharat Bandh'

1483. SHRI THOMAS KUTHIRAVATTOM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many incidents of violence and arson were reported in Kerala during the 'Bharat Bandh' called by leftist parties;

(b) how many Central Government establishments were attacked by mob during the Bandh;

(c) how many Government officers were attacked and injured during the Bandh;

(d) whether Government are contemplating any plans for the future to protect the Central Government establishments and staff from mob violence if they are attacked during Bandh; and

(e) whether Government feel that Kerala Government has failed to protect the Central Government staff and their establishments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) 194 violent incidents were reported but there was no incident of arson.

(b) 8 Post Offices/Telephone Exchanges were attacked. 14 Post Offices were locked/forcibly closed by the bandh supporters.

(c) 28 Officers were attacked and 24 were injured.

(d) and (e) The Constitution provides that 'Public Order' is a State subject and therefore it is the primary responsibility of the State Governments to maintain it. The State Governments are aware and conscious of their responsibility in this regard.

Srinivasan committee on NTC.

1484. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) what are the broad outlines of the recommendations made by the Srinivasan Committee on NTC;

(b) what are the recommendations accepted and rejected by Government;

(c) whether orders regarding retention of functional Directors for a given period, who were identified as 'poor performer' by the Srinivasan Committee, were completely violated by his Ministry;

(d) if so, what are the facts thereof; and

(e) what action is proposed to be taken for such violation of Government orders?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) to (c) The Srinivasan Committee had only made recommendations about the grading of top managers of NTC according to their capabilities. The report has been accepted.

(d) and (e) Do not arise in view of the above.

National Policy on Zoological Parks

1485. DR. R. K. PODDAR: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state the